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Senate Delays Debate on Subversives Board

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Senate pointed today to a Labor Day recess after skipping for the present, at a floor battle over the Subversive Activities Control

recess will start at the of tomorrow's session and until Sept. 12.

a reshuffling of plans, Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield yesterday accepted a House resolution starting the recess one day earlier than he had scheduled.

Proxmire Prepared

At the same time, Mansfield put off Senate action on all controversial matters except the nomination of Solicitor General Thurgood Marshall as a member of the Supreme Court.

Action on a Subversive Activities Control Board bill was called off yesterday after Sen. William Proxmire, D-Wis., came to the Senate floor prepared to carry on an extensive battle against it.

Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen, sponsor of the bill, told reporters he had "learned by the grapevine" that Proxmire, Sen. Joseph D. Tydings, D-Md., and Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., were planning to talk against the bill through Friday at least.

The bill would redefine the functions of the board in keeping with rulings of the Supreme Court and an appeals court that the board could not require the registration of persons belonging to the Communists party or the party itself.

The Dirksen bill was intended to allow the board to function within the framework of the court decisions by determining Communist organizations and their members.

Proxmire readily acknowledged that he and Tydings were set to talk against the bill. He said he also expected some assistance from Kennedy, who was among members of the Senate Judiciary Committee voting against reporting the bill.

Proxmire said lengthy discussion was in order since the committee held no hearings on the measure. He said he planned to move for the recommittal when the bill comes before the Senate again.

Favors Abolishment

Proxmire had introduced a bill to abolish the board as useless. He did this when a furor arose a few weeks ago over President Johnson's appointment of 29-year-old Simon McHugh Jr. as a \$26,000-a-year member of the five-man board. Last August, McHugh married Victoria McCammon, one of the President's former secretaries.

Among the matters put off until after the recess was Senate consideration of an independent offices appropriation bill carrying funds for the model cities and supplemental rent programs. The Senate Appropriations Committee restored to the bill the

drastic cuts the House made in funds for these Great Society undertakings.

The appropriation bill was scheduled to be reported by the committee during the day. But two Republican senators, it was

understood, objected to taking up the bill before the committee filed its report.

In floor debate, meanwhile, Sen. Sam J. Ervin, D-N.C., sponsor of a bill intended to protect the privacy and rights of

federal employees, rapped the Central Intelligence Agency and National Security Agency for seeking exemptions.

Ervin said the two agencies "want the unlimited right to kick federal employees around,

deny them respect for individual privacy and the basic rights which belong to every American regardless of the mission of his agency."

Mansfield announced Monday the bill would be brought up yesterday, but at the request of the CIA, action was delayed until the week of Sept. 19.

Ervin was joined by Sen. Roman L. Hruska, R-Neb., in protesting the CIA's action after the bill already had been ap-

proved by the Senate Judiciary Committee and placed on the Senate's legislative calendar.

Hruska said the CIA has been "one of the greatest transgressors" of the rights of government employees.